

a compassionate individual and a truly remarkable director for Lenox Hill Neighborhood House. I wish her luck in her new position as head of United Neighborhood Houses.

SAME SONG AND DANCE

HON. DOUG BEREUTER

OF NEBRASKA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 19, 2002

Mr. BEREUTER. Mr. Speaker, this Member wishes to commend to his colleagues an editorial from the September 18, 2002, edition of the Lincoln Journal-Star entitled, "We've seen Saddam's act before." It correctly conveys the skepticism with which the United States and the United Nations should approach Saddam Hussein's recent announcement to allow U.N. weapons inspectors into Iraq.

[lsqb]From the Lincoln Journal-Star, Sept. 18, 2002[rsqb]

WE'VE SEEN SADDAM'S ACT BEFORE

Anyone who believes that Saddam Hussein suddenly caved in to international pressure and will now "unconditionally" permit weapons inspections is dangerously gullible. Saddam's negotiating style was described accurately and colorfully by President George W. Bush. Once again Saddam is "sidestepping, crawfishing and wheedling."

Translations of the six-page letter, complete with a three-page addendum, have not yet been released.

But some news sources, including The Economist, reported that the letter from Iraqi Foreign Minister Naji Sabri to the U.N. "leaves scope for doubt. It merely says they can return, for example, not explicitly that they will enjoy unrestricted access."

A senior State Department official in a White House briefing described the letter this way: "It is not a promise to fulfill all its obligations under Security Council resolutions. It is not a promise to allow full and unfettered access for U.N. inspectors. It is not a promise to disclose, or a disclosure, of all its prohibited programs. And it's not a promise to disarm, as Iraq is obliged to do."

Saddam should not be allowed to let a promise turn into delay. United Nations officials have said in recent days they are prepared to resume inspections immediately.

The United Nations should waste no time taking up the offer. Send in the inspectors now. Call Saddam's bluff.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. BOB CLEMENT

OF TENNESSEE

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 19, 2002

Mr. CLEMENT. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall Nos. 386 and 387, had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

TRIBUTE TO THE SCHOOL OF TECHNOLOGY AT EASTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY ON ITS CENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY

HON. JOE KNOLLENBERG

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 19, 2002

Mr. KNOLLENBERG. Mr. Speaker, as a proud graduate of Eastern Illinois University

and the honorary Chairman of the Alumni Centennial Committee, I am pleased to pay tribute to the School of Technology at Eastern Illinois University on the celebration of its 100th anniversary.

In 1902, Eastern Illinois University began to offer courses in Manual Training in order to educate students on the study of technology. Eventually the Illinois Board of Higher Education approved the Industrial Technology program, with three options: light building construction, electronics, and metals. The program has been accredited and reaccredited numerous times by the National Association of Industrial Technology.

Eastern Illinois' School of Technology is an outstanding institution and provides its students with the tools and resources necessary to succeed in life. Exemplifying its excellence and stature, the school has experienced a large enrollment increase for this fall semester.

Today, over 500 attend Eastern Illinois' School of Technology. They study a variety of disciplines that prepare them for careers in industry, business, government, and education. The school's faculty and staff are exceptional as they serve both the needs of their students and provide consulting and training needs for the business and industrial community.

Mr. Speaker, the School of Technology at Eastern Illinois University has much to be proud of on its Centennial Anniversary. I regret I cannot attend the school's ceremonies, but I wish the school further success and prosperity for the next 100 years and after.

IN MEMORY OF META FULLER WALLER

HON. JAMES P. MORAN

OF VIRGINIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 19, 2002

Mr. MORAN of Virginia. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor the memory of Meta Fuller Waller, a dear friend to many, a dedicated public servant and athletic team captain who tragically lost her life in the Pentagon on September 11, 2001.

Born into a family steeped in the civil rights movement, Meta Waller learned at a very young age an appreciation for the arts and the value of a good education. Her two famous grandparents, Meta Warrick Fuller, an African American sculptor and Solomon Carter Fuller, the first African American psychiatrist in the United States, inspired Meta to pursue her dreams regardless of what stood in her path. These instilled values guided Meta throughout life, especially during the sorrowful loss of some of her closest family members.

With a bachelor's degree from the University of Michigan and a master's degree from the prestigious Harvard Kennedy School of Government in 1982, Meta worked hard to meet the many challenges she faced as the Special Programs Manager for the Administrative Assistant to the Secretary of the Army. In her twelve years at the Pentagon, Meta was heavily involved in the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC), the annual fund raising drive conducted by Federal employees on behalf of numerous non-profit charities. She diligently served as the Army CFC administrator for 14 years and helped raise in excess of \$30 mil-

lion dollars to benefit the least fortunate in our society.

An avid writer and poet, Meta charmed those fortunate enough to witness her literary talent. Meta's active imagination made her a gifted storyteller whose vividly refreshing tales could keep an audience spellbound for hours. Always in search of new challenges, Meta picked up the game of tennis much later in life than most. Despite a lack of past exposure to the sport, she rose to become captain of her women's tennis team, holding the position for three years.

Ever conscientious and adventure seeking, Meta's passions led her to travel the world often. Her most recent trip took her to Durban, South Africa for the World Conference on Racism. Traveling with a group of schoolchildren, Meta gained a first-hand knowledge of the continuing struggle to end racism across the globe. Upon returning home, Meta told family members that the experience had changed her life.

Mr. Speaker, Meta's life serves as a testament to us all that with love and determination we can overcome any odds and lead inspired lives. Everyone misses her dearly but the memory of her indomitable spirit will never be forgotten.

HONORING THE 2002 OLIN E. TEAGUE AWARD RECIPIENTS DR. DOUGLAS NOFFSINGER AND DR. RORY COOPER

HON. CHRISTOPHER H. SMITH

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 19, 2002

Mr. SMITH of New Jersey. Mr. Speaker, in a ceremony on Wednesday, September 18, 2002, in the Committee on Veterans' Affairs hearing room, Dr. Douglas Noffsinger, Chief, Office of Audiology and Speech Pathology, VA Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System, Los Angeles, California, and Dr. Rory Cooper, Director, Rehabilitation Research and Development Center, VA Pittsburgh Healthcare System, Pittsburgh, PA, each received an Olin E. Teague Award for their efforts on behalf of disabled veterans.

The Teague Award is presented annually to a VA employee (or employees) whose achievements have been of extraordinary benefit to veterans with service-connected disabilities, and is the highest honor presented by VA in the field of rehabilitation.

Dr. Noffsinger was selected to receive this prestigious award in honor of his significant contributions to the rehabilitation of veterans with hearing loss, one of the most common disabilities resulting from military service. His efforts have been multi-faceted and include cutting-edge research, establishing national practice algorithms for selecting and fitting hearing aids, and developing guidelines to assure that all veterans needing hearing aids have equal access to treatment. Dr. Noffsinger is commended for his leadership role in formulating national clinical practice guidelines for selecting and fitting hearing aids that have been accepted as official policy by the professional associations that represent all private and public sector audiologists.

Rory A. Cooper, Ph.D., was recognized with a Teague Award for his major contributions to